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SUBJECT: POLISH SECURITY SITUATION IN U.S.

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1. POLISH DCM WIEJACZ WAS CALLED IN AGAIN (BY EUR/EE
DEP DIRBROWN) THIS AFTERNOON ON SUBJECT OF SECURITY.
REFERRING TO YESTERDAY'S CONVERSATION BETWEEN ARMITAGE
AND WIEJACZ, BROWN EXPLAINED 'E ARE CONTINUING TO
SEARCH FOR AYS TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM, WHICH WE VIEW
WITH UTMOST CONCERN. AS A FURTHER EARNEST OF OUR SERIOUS
INTENT, E HAVE DECIDED TO OFFER ARMED GUARD PROTECTION
TO THE SEVEN POLISH OFFICIALS NAMED IN THE "SOHO NEWS."
THIS PROTECTION WILL OF COURSE BE OF LTMITED DURATION,
BUT WE BELIEVE IT WOULD HELP ALLAY ANY IMMEDIATE DANGER
TO THE INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED. TO BE EFFECTIVE, THIS
ARRANGEMENT WILL REQUIRE CLOSE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE
POLISH OFFICIALS TO BE COVERED AND THE USG'S SECURITY GUARDS.
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FINALLY, BROWN EMPHASIZED THATTHIS OFFER IS ENTIRELY ONE

FOR THE POLISH SIDE TO ACCEPT OR REJECT, BUT THAT WE WERE PUTTING IT FORWARD AS A WAY TO COPE WITH THE IMMEDIATE PROBLEM WE FACE. MEANWHILE, WHETHER THIS PROPOSITION IS ACCEPTED OR REJECTED, THE PROCESS OF DEALING WITH THE SPECIFIC INCIDENTS OF CONCERN TO THE GOP GOES ON AS OUTLINED

YESTERDAY BY MR. ARMITAGE TO WIEJACZ.

2. WIEJACZ TOOK DOWN SOME, BUT BY NO MEANS ALL, OF THE ABOVE AND SAID HE WOULD COMMUNICATE IT TO WARSAW TONIGHT. IF AN ANSWER COMES IN TOMORROW HE SAID WE WOULD CALL PRO'N IMMEDIATELY. THE EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR THE OFFER AND SAID HE FULLY SAW IT IN THE SPIRIT IT WAS MADE. BEYOND THAT HE SAID NOTHING.

3. STRICTLY FYI: AN IDENTICAL PROPOSAL HAS BEEN MADE AND, MUCH TO OUR SURPRISE, ACCEPTED BY THE SOVIETS AS CONCERNS THE USSR OFFICIALS NAMED IN THE SAME NEWSPAPER ARTICLE. INGERSOLL

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